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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

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For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR NETWORK  
INFRASTRUCTURE MANAGEMENT**

**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
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Dear Sir:

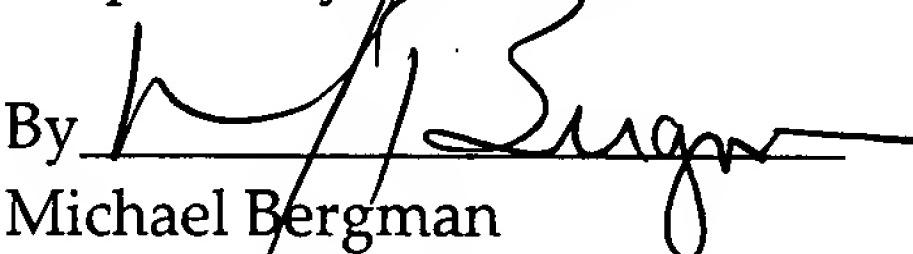
Applicant hereby petitions for a THREE month extension of time to and including July 27, 2005 to respond to the First Office Action mailed on January 27, 2005. A form PTO-2038 authorizing the Commissioner to charge the requisite fee of \$510 is enclosed. This petition is being filed in order to ensure copendency with application identified above.

In the event that a further petition for an extension of time is required to be submitted at this time, the Commissioner is hereby petitioned, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 (a), to extend the time for filing a response to an outstanding Office Action, or any communication filed in this application by this firm, by the number of months which will avoid abandonment under 37 C.F.R. § 1.135.

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If required, The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiency in the fees filed, asserted to be filed or which should have been filed herewith (or with any paper hereafter filed in this application by this firm) to our Deposit Account No.: 50-3117, under order number H0630-0003-P003.

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